

IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A wiper system comprising:
 - a rotating center spindle rotated by a wiper motor,
 - a lever portion provided on the rotating center spindle,
 - a wiper arm ~~attached to the lever portion, and~~
 - a connecting member attaching said wiper arm to said lever portion, and
 - a wiper blade attached to the wiper arm, so that a windscreen can be wiped by the wiper blade, wherein
 - the lever portion is constructed such that a rotating center of the lever portion which is located at one end thereof is provided at a position which is situated between a proximal end portion and a free end portion of the wiper arm and spaced away from the wiper arm by a predetermined distance toward a center of the windscreen, when the wiper arm is situated at a stop position where the wiper arm is located at a lower edge of the windscreen, and such that the other end of the lever portion extends to the proximal end portion of the wiper arm.
2. (Original) The wiper system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein
 - when the windscreen is viewed from a surface side thereof, the rotating center spindle is disposed at a position displaced towards the center of the windscreen from the edge thereof,
 - the lever portion provided on the rotating center spindle extends such that a distal end thereof always protrudes from the edge of the windscreen, and
 - the lever portion and the wiper arm are integrally connected together so as to form and maintain an acute angle therebetween.

3. (Currently amended) The wiper system as set forth in Claim 1, wherein the lever portion and the wiper arm are coupled together via a connecting member having a the length larger in value than a thickness of the windscreen, and the rotating center spindle is provided inside a vehicle.